

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY PANAMA

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AMEMBASSY SAN JOSE

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EO 11652: N/A

TAGS: PFOR, PINT, PGOV, PN, CZ

SUBJ: VESCO SEIZURE OF VESSEL

REF: PANAMA 4156

1. REFTEL MENTIONED INTERCOMSA S.A. AS SUPPOSED FORMER OWNER OF JOYA OCEANO. EMBOFF WAS CALLED BY PANAMA'S DIRECTOR OF CONSULAR AND SHIPPING AFFAIRS WHO SAID THAT INTERCOMSA WAS A COSTA RICAN FIRM AND NOT THE PRIVATE PANAMANIAN COMPANY OF THE SAME NAME WHICH OPERATES THE EARTH STATION FOR SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS AND IS 40 PERCENT OWNED BY U.S. COMMUNICATIONS SATELLITE CORPORATION (COMSAT).

2. JULY 14 EDITION OF LA ESTRELLA CARRIED ANNOUNCEMENT BY KUMAR NAVIGATION AND INVESTMENT CO., S.A. DENYING ANY CONNECTION WITH VESCO, WHO WAS MENTIONED BY NAME, AND DENOUNCING THE UNITED STATES.

3. COPY OF KUMAR PRESS ANNOUNCEMENT AND RESULTS OF PUBLIC REGISTRY CHECK ARE BEING POUCHED.  
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## Message Attributes

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